Uttar Pradesh government holiday list 2026

Public holidays for Uttar Pradesh government offices, with the weekday for each date and the long weekends they create.

24	24	0	0
holidays listed	on a working day	on a weekly off	long weekends

Holidays

#	Date	Day	Holiday
1	3 January	Saturday	Hazrat Ali's Birthday
2	15 January	Thursday	Makar Sankranti
3	26 January	Monday	Republic Day
4	2 March	Monday	Holika Dahan
5	4 March	Wednesday	Holi
6	21 March	Saturday	Id-ul-Fitr
7	26 March	Thursday	Ram Navami
8	27 March	Friday	Ram Navami (second day)
9	31 March	Tuesday	Mahavir Jayanti
10	3 April	Friday	Good Friday
11	14 April	Tuesday	Dr. Bhimrao Ambedkar's Birthday
12	1 May	Friday	Buddha Purnima
13	28 May	Thursday	Id-uz-Zuha (Bakrid) Date may change
14	26 June	Friday	Muharram Date may change
15	15 August	Saturday	Independence Day
16	26 August	Wednesday	Id-e-Milad / Barawafat Date may change
17	28 August	Friday	Raksha Bandhan
18	4 September	Friday	Janmashtami
19	2 October	Friday	Mahatma Gandhi's Birthday
20	20 October	Tuesday	Dussehra (Maha Navami / Vijayadashami)
21	9 November	Monday	Govardhan Puja
22	11 November	Wednesday	Bhaiya Dooj / Chitragupt Jayanti
23	24 November	Tuesday	Guru Nanak Jayanti / Kartik Purnima
24	25 December	Friday	Christmas Day

Long weekends in 2026

None this year with the weekly offs counted above.

Counts every Sunday as off. Saturday holidays in the list are counted as off too. Uses only the holidays above.

Good to know

- **On a Sunday.** The list also names Maha Shivaratri (15 February); Deepawali (8 November). These fall on a Sunday, so they are not counted here.
- Official gazette section (i) lists 24 public (gazetted) holidays; two of them (Maha Shivaratri 15 Feb, Deepawali 8 Nov) fall on a Sunday. Three amendments after the gazette are applied: Makar Sankranti 15 Jan (now a public holiday), Ram Navami also 27 Mar, Bakrid 28 May.
- Restricted (nirbandhit) holidays, 31 entries, are not general public holidays and are excluded. Aggregators often wrongly label them gazetted. They include Holi next day 5 Mar, Shab-e-Barat 4 Feb, Jamat-ul-Vida 13 Mar, Cheti Chand 19 Mar, Easter Saturday and Monday, Parshuram Jayanti 19 Apr, Chehlum 4 Aug, Vishwakarma Puja 17 Sep, Anant Chaturdashi 25 Sep, Dussehra Maha Ashtami 19 Oct, Valmiki Jayanti 26 Oct, Sardar Patel Jayanti 31 Oct, Narak Chaturdashi 8 Nov, Chhath 15 Nov, Uda Devi 16 Nov, Urs Ajmer 16 Dec, Charan Singh birthday 23 Dec, Christmas Eve 24 Dec.
- Commercial banks' annual closing, 1 April 2026 (Wednesday), is for banks, treasuries and sub-treasuries only.
- Executive-order holidays: Guru Tegh Bahadur Shaheed Diwas 24 Nov 2026 (Tuesday) is in the separate executive-order list; Guru Gobind Singh Jayanti 5 Jan was deleted by a 1 Dec 2025 order. Offices on a five-day week do not observe executive-order holidays or district local holidays.
- District Magistrates may declare up to 3 local holidays in their district each year; these are not in the state list.
- Muslim festival dates (Id-ul-Fitr, Bakrid, Muharram, Barawafat) follow moon sighting; the gazette marks them with an asterisk. The only moon-driven change found for UP is Bakrid (27 to 28 May); none found for the others.
- A viral order about a 28 February 2026 holiday was reported as fake by India TV News (27 Feb 2026); ignore it.
- **Optional holidays.** The official restricted (nirbandhit) list has 31 entries, including Makar Sankranti (14 Jan, since replaced by a public holiday on 15 Jan), Basant Panchami, Easter, Chhath Puja etc. The gazette read does not say how many an employee may take; not stated.
- **Saturdays.** We could not confirm which Saturdays are off for state offices, so only Sundays are counted as weekly offs.
- **Source difference.** Holi: gazette gives Holika Dahan 2 Mar and Holi 4 Mar (Wed) as public holidays; 5 Mar (Thu, 'Holi next day') is only in the restricted list. Some aggregators show 5 Mar or 1 Mar as Holi; chose 4 Mar because the gazette says so.
- **Source difference.** Ram Navami: gazette 26 Mar only; 25 Mar 2026 Vigyapti adds 27 Mar. Both included. Aggregators that show only 26 Mar are pre-amendment.
- **Source difference.** Makar Sankranti: gazette had 14 Jan in the restricted list; replaced by a public holiday on 15 Jan (Thu). Included 15 Jan. greytHR and Keka-style lists still show 14 Jan.
- Festivals tied to the moon, such as the Eid festivals and Muharram, can move by a day. Any change is announced at short notice.

Source: Uttar Pradesh Government notification General Administration Section, Govt of Uttar Pradesh, Vigyapti No. 671/Teen-2025-39(2)/2016 dated 17 November 2025 (UP Asadharan Gazette, Part 4(kha), Vidhayi Parishisht, Kram-Sankhya 185). Amended by: (a) Vigyapti dated January 2026 (number not seen) moving Makar Sankranti from 14 to 15 Jan; (b) Vigyapti No. 3-1099/641/2019 dated 25 March 2026 adding 27 March as a second Ram Navami public holiday; (c) a Vigyapti dated 1 December 2025 deleting Guru Gobind Singh Jayanti (5 Jan) from the executive-order list; (d) Bakrid moved 27 to 28 May 2026 (reported by India TV News, 26 May 2026; order itself not seen). (holidays for 2026), as read from UP Asadharan Gazette 17 Nov 2025, Vigyapti 671/Teen-2025-39(2)/2016 (scan, 5 pages), GAD Vigyapti dated 25 March 2026 (Ram Navami 27 Mar), via UP State Information Commission PDF, hellobanker.in and India TV News, read on 10 November 2026. Weekdays checked against the calendar. This list is for information and is not legal advice.